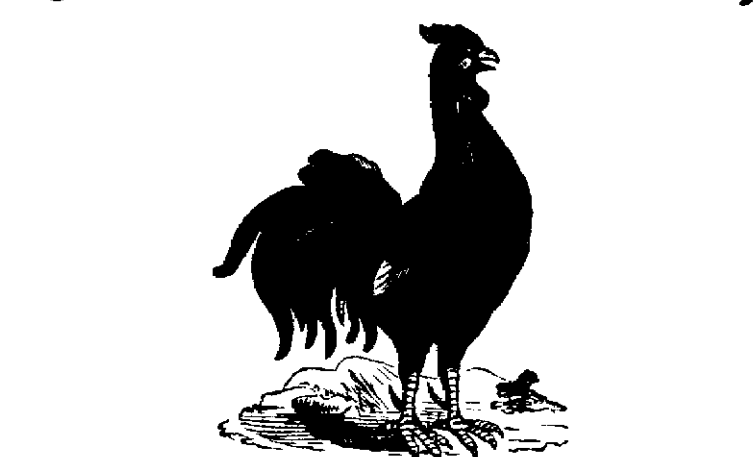


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### NOTICE OF SALE.

Executrix's Sale of Real Estate. By virtue of an order of the county court of Madison county, Illinois, made at the April term thereof, A. D. 1881, upon the petition of the undersigned, executrix of the estate of Thomas Downing, deceased, against John E. Downing and others, I will, on the 11th day of May, 1881, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of said day, sell at public vendue at the west door of the court house, in Decatur, Illinois, the following described real estate situated in Madison county, Illinois, to-wit: All the interest of the said Thomas Downing, deceased, in lots three, five and six (5) in block fifteen (15) in Allen, McHenry & Co.'s addition to the town (now city) of Decatur.

Terms of sale. One half cash, and one-half on twelve months' time, the deferred payment to be secured by note, bearing a percent interest, with approved personal security and mortgage upon the premises sold, said mortgage to provide for the payment of an attorney's fee in case of foreclosure. No conveyance to be made until the sale has been reported and approved by said court.

MARGARET A. DOWNING, Executrix. Dated: Decatur, Ill., April 19th, 1881.

The New York Tribune (Rep): And here, in spite of all this good feeling, Mr. Frye comes on to the floor of the Senate and talks as though last year's game of politics was "for keeps." Of course the Bourbons won't stand that. It isn't their way. Their way is to make an uncompromising no quarter fight for the whole of whatever is at stake, and then, if defeated, wait to be conciliated with half the spoils and a new deal. Their present position, if we rightly interpret it, is that, if the administration will only abandon the attack upon Bourbonism, and give over the effort to divide the Solid South and put down the violence and fraud by which it is held solid, they will—well, they will strengthen themselves and get ready to turn out the administration and take control themselves in 1884. But, if the administration lends its countenance to senators who are determined to keep up the fight against Bourbonism, they will—well, we don't know what they will do, but it must be something dreadful, or the Democratic newspapers would not treat so seriously the possibility of a withdrawal of Bourbon confidence from the administration. For our own part, we are unable to see what they can do more than they are now doing in opposition to the administration, but it always makes us shudder when we hear Democrats threaten to withdraw their confidence from a Republican administration. It did when they began to suspect that Mr. Lincoln would not carry out Buchanan's policy, and to say that if he did not they would let the country go to the dogs. It did when they withdrew their confidence from Grant and Hayes. The threat is always terrifying. Still, they have done it a great many times, and the country has survived, and Republican administrations have been reasonably successful. Remembering this, we cannot but cling to the hope that the present administration will not be utterly crushed if the Bourbons in the Senate should withdraw their confidence from it.

A young man writes to the New York Sun for advice. He teaches a class of nine small boys in a Sunday school, but after reading a number of infidel books and hearing one of Ingersoll's lectures, he finds his faith shaken. In addition to this he swears a little sometimes, and what he wants to know about it is whether a young man who swears and believes in Bob Ingersoll is doing right in teaching a Sunday school class. The conscientiousness of this young man's conscience, it will be observed, is really phenomenal. The general opinion respecting his case will probably be that a man whose faith is so weak that Bob Ingersoll can shake it, and whose intelligence is so small that he goes to the New York Sun for counsel about religion, is in such a condition of intellectual imbecility that he ought to be taken care of by his relations.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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New Restaurant. I have opened a new restaurant at No. 18 south side of the city park, and am prepared to serve good meals at any hour of the day. Will give reduced rates to regular day boarders. Members of the different granges in the county, and the public generally are invited to give me a call. LEOA BLAUW.

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Giving to Sell Them. Best Oil Shading, 15c per yard. Shade Pictures, 12c each. Tassels, 5c each. Spring Pictures, best, 1c each. Flange, 5c per yard. Plenty of them and all the best, to close out, at ASHBY & ANDERSON, Cerro Gordo street, car runs by the door.

French Corsets—only 16, 17, 18. The price was \$2.50. Will close them out at 50c each. Linn & Scruggs.

The New Dentist. Dr. J. W. Lane, late of Blue Mound, has taken possession of the dental parlors recently occupied by Dr. Dawkins, and will conduct the business there. Doctor Lane was formerly associated with Dr. Walz in the dental business.

Keep your feet dry by getting a pair of Rubbers at J. W. Baker's.

The largest and most elegant line of Children's Clothing at Flannery the French Cutter, Linn & Scruggs' old stand.

The best is the cheapest, therefore when you buy Powder, buy the American DEAD SHOT of KORNGRUBER & O'NEILL.

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Desires to bear testimony to its great quality. We find it SAFE, SIMPLE, easy to be used, and in its construction, day and night, two of the Vapor Stoves manufactured by the American Vapor Stove Manufacturing Company of this city, and it affords me pleasure to say that this is the best and most perfect Vapor Stove ever made.

PAUL HICKS, Prop. of Central Hotel, Decatur, Ill.

Reports come of the discovery of a new oil region in Pennsylvania—this time at Homestead, the county seat of Wayne county, which is some distance east of the old petroleum fields of Venango and McKean counties.

There are prospects that the deadlock at Washington will be broken in a few days, by an agreement to hold executive sessions for the consideration of the Chinese treaty, and the confirmation of unopposed nominations.

The employees of the steel mill at Springfield are on a strike, and the proprietors have closed the establishment for good, declaring that this branch of their business has not been a profitable one, and will not be resumed.

CHENEBE-SPINAL-MENINGITIS continues to rage in La Salle county, increasing in virulence rather than diminishing. Three deaths have occurred this week, and the physicians report many cases. The dread disease has almost taken the form of an epidemic.

GENERAL WEAVER has put his wits to work and brought forth the prediction that during President Garfield's administration the two old parties will dissolve and the National party will rise triumphant. It is seldom that a slayer destroys so much with so little ammunition.

The Census bureau is encountering great difficulty in securing reports from a large number of railroads in the country, whose returns are necessary to complete the compilation of the Bureau on the railway subject. The law which requires railway officials to answer the questions formulated by the Bureau is to be strictly enforced, and the penalty for violation of its provisions collected by actions in debt. In some instances this dereliction of duty is the result of carelessness; but in other cases the law is purposely violated. However, the special agents sent out by the Bureau will wake up the delinquents, and it will not be long before the number of non-reporting companies will be very considerably diminished.

MORMON PROPAGANDISM and immigration is going on constantly and with unabated zeal and success. It is expected that about 3,500 Mormon converts will arrive in this country during the present year, and the first instalment of about 200 arrived on Friday. There are said to be eleven thousand Mormons now in Europe, and the work of proselytism is being carried on in every country and with the utmost zeal. Thirty-five missionaries leave this country the present week for Europe to engage in the propagation of their faith. And what does the United States propose to do about it?

The Mayor of the city of Fargo, Dakota, and a number of business men of the place, have united in a letter to the public, calculated to disabuse the minds of those who imagined that the late spring and the great floods had destroyed all hope of a crop in that section of the country. Among other things they say: "Great interest is felt at the leading grain center as to the future of the wheat crop of 1904, in the Red river valley and North Dakota. As the season of planting was deferred about three weeks by reason of the late snow, anxiety was felt for fear planting would not commence until in May. Following this uneasiness came reports of disastrous floods in the extreme northeastern corner of Dakota, caused by freshets in the Missouri river. Appeals at the East in behalf of the sufferers from this flood, amount at least 300 miles from the wheat regions of Northern Dakota, have spread the impression that this section is afflicted in common with the one in which the trouble actually occurred."

Neither the Red river, Cheyenne, James, nor any of the small rivers that water the Red river valley and Northern Dakota have been the scene of any flood whatever. The Red river, which has been reported flooded, has had an uncommonly high stage of water, but without ice gorge, swift current, or any other phenomenon of a flood.

Seeding has been in active progress for ten days in every portion of Northern Dakota, from the Red river to the western limit of the wheat culture, and from the forty-sixth parallel of latitude to the international line.

The weather for a week has been, with the exception of one short shower, dry, cool, and under conditions most favorable to the germination of seed.

The largest crop ever sown in the new Northwest is going in, and a large proportion of it is already. The greatest confidence exists as to the future of our coming crops.

Northern Dakota, so far from appealing to the charity of the American people, is as prosperous as any locality in the United States, and is contributing liberally in aid of the sufferers of Southern Dakota, where floods have occurred.

# The Census in Hindostan.

The singular fears of the East Indians respecting the late census were highly remarkable. In Calcutta on the eventful night the streets were deserted from early in the evening, as it was firmly believed that any one perambulating the Queen's highway after dark would be decapitated. Moreover a report had been spread that at 9 p. m. all gas lamps were to be extinguished, and every inhabitant must then keep burning a lamp or candle. Consequently quantities of oil were bought up, and on the census night not a candle was to be purchased. In one quarter of the city it was rumored that a male and female would enter each house and decapitate the inhabitants, while a more amusing report was that the government wanted to provide wives for the soldiers returned from Afghanistan, and were going to count the available brides. The coolies in the Darjeeling district bolted en masse to the jungle, dreading some unknown horror; while the Nepanese believed that a child would be taken from each house, and its head put under the foundation of a neighboring bridge, the trunk being placed on the tramway for the engine to run over.

## Gould's System.

Referring to the report that Jay Gould is negotiating for the purchase of the Illinois Central railway, the Chicago Tribune says that this purchase is essential to Gould's system. It thinks that to a railroad operator of his experience there is at least a clear profit of \$60,000,000 in six months. The Mississippi river is also essential to Gould's system, and a southern paper suggests that the government would do well to lease it to Gould for ninety-nine years on condition that he keep it in repair.

## Sacrifice.

Ladies' silk bows, trimmed with lace, at 5 cents, 10 cents and 15 cents, reduced from 15 cents, 20 cents and 25 cents. Ladies' neck rubbers at from 5 to 20 cts. per yard; usual price 10 to 20 cts. Numerous and attractive bargains at the

d&w POPULAR NEW YORK STORE.

HERE is something that must prove absolutely alarming to our teetotalers, who are pledged to "touch not, taste not, handle not" anything that has the alcoholic flavor about it. Herr M. A. Muntz, a scientist, has presented to the Academy of Sciences at Paris the startling report that by analytical experimentation he has discovered that there is more or less of the alcoholic quality in all liquids, even in spring water, in lake water, in melted snow, nay, even in the very atmosphere itself. This may explain the claim of the ultra cold-water advocates that their favorite beverage is "exhilarating," and that there is nothing so healthfully inspiring as pure water and pure air. But per contra, Herr Muntz is particularly to mention the fact that only one-millionth part of an ounce of water is of the alcoholic element, so it won't hurt you much even if you should drink a barrel of water at a sitting.

## The House Dead-lock.

John D. Russell.

If the constituents of these obstructionists think their policy is profitable, we simply wish to state that they are mistaken. The State should be promptly reappointed according to the new census, and there is no sense in trying to prevent this important work by filibustering and refusing to vote. If the bill is not passed, as it certainly should be, the Democratic members who block the way are responsible for the villainy.

Two new and important liquor laws went into effect in Massachusetts on Monday. One orders the removal of all screens and obstructions from the windows of places where intoxicating liquors are sold, and forbids the exposure of bottles and other vessels containing or purporting to contain liquors. The other makes all club-rooms where liquors are sold without a license common nuisances, and those who maintain them liable to the laws governing such cases. The former law is being circumvented in some cases by walling up half the front windows.

"LORD" PELHAM, the bogus nobleman who "did" all the Eastern cities very thoroughly, and was finally captured at Salt Lake City, escaped from the officers the other day while being taken to court. He was pursued three miles into the country and found in a barn, where he had gone for a rest. Irons were placed upon him when he was taken back to his cell, although his "Lordship" kicked and protested vigorously. He swore vengeance upon the officers, and when his father, "the Archbishop of Armagh" arrives, he will see that these insults are properly atoned for.

## Don't Forget.

The big job lots of dress goods at six and a quarter, 10 and 12 cents a yard, and the special bargains in calicoes, ginghams, muslins, shirtings, denims, jeans, carpet warps, etc., etc. at the

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## ON TIME IS USUAL.

James now goes to business regularly. That attack of neuralgia which laid him up, and which was only a fresh visitation of an old enemy, disappeared because he took a firm grip and used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Rheumatic pain, sore, cuts, bruises, throat and lung diseases, etc., are invariably cured by it. For sale by Dr. A. J. Storer.

## The French Florist.

Nicholas Bonnierbach, the florist, is now prepared to make flower beds and lay off yards in grounds in the most approved style and at reasonable rates. He will also do decorative work in the cemetery when called upon. Call at the Bonnierbach Greenhouse, entrance to Decatur Greenwood Cemetery. 2941st

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## TO BE BROKEN.

The Dead Lock at Washington that Has Been.

## LEGISLATIVE DOINGS.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The Republican caucus this morning was attended by all prominent senators of that side, and spent the time until noon discussing what shall constitute an uncontested nomination. All Republicans desire to have the point definitely settled, that no difference upon it may arise after going into executive session. The senators who are denominated as supporting the administration in its desire to have all nominations acted upon, maintained that the adverse report of a committee on any nomination should make it a contested nomination. Conkling and friends argued in favor of classing all nominations objected to by one senator from the state to which the nomination belongs as contested. This was the point of discussion, and it was not determined.

Another caucus will be held this afternoon to decide the question. Conkling was conspicuously pleasant to day, and many regarded it as evidence of his satisfaction with the situation, as there is no doubt of an early executive session.

The Democratic senators have to day been discussing informally among themselves how they had better vote; some Democrats are working very hard for Conkling, and they claim, as the matter now stands, fifteen Democrats are sure to vote against Robertson. On the other hand, there is a report that some Republican senators are dropping away from Conkling because they think he is the disadvantage of the Republican party.

Leading Republican senators state that executive sessions certainly will be held this week.

Last week a southern Democratic senator, when going away, asked a stalwart Republican senator to pair with him on the nomination of Chandler for solicitor general, the Democrat wanting to vote against Chandler. The Republican senator, who is a prominent Grant man, replied that he could not pair because he intends to vote against Chandler. From this it is supposed that the Grant Republicans are against Chandler, and as all the Democrats oppose him, that would assuredly defeat him.

Shortly after the adjournment the Republican senators reassembled in caucus.

CENTRALIA, Ill., May 3.—The twenty-third annual convention of the Illinois State Sunday school association met in this city this morning. The preliminary prayer meeting and bible reading, by Rev. Geo. C. Needham, evangelist, were held in the Methodist church.

At 11 o'clock the convention assembled in the tabernacle erected for this occasion, and capable of seating 1,200 people. Hon. William Reynolds, of Peoria, president of the association, presided. The address of welcome, in behalf of Marion county, was made by Hon. S. L. Dwight, and the response by President Reynolds followed.

The committee on nominations appointed by the chair reported the following as the principal officers of the association for the ensuing year: President J. R. Mason, of Bloomington; Recording Secretary, H. S. Vail, of Chicago; Statistical Secretary, C. M. James, of Jacksonville; Treasurer and Chairman of the Executive Committee, B. F. Jacobs, of Chicago. All these but the president are re-elections.

The printed report of the statistical secretary gives the following condition of the work in the State: Number of Sunday schools, 6,316; scholars, 487,470; total membership, 553,390, number of county conventions held, 98, township conventions held, 937; additions to churches from Sunday schools, of fifty-six counties, 7,000; amount of benevolent contributions, \$12,778.63; number of banner counties holding conventions in every township, 27.

St. Louis, May 3.—The rise in the river since last evening is variously estimated at from four to seven inches, and it is still swelling. Of course there is a little more water in the overflowed districts and the breadth of the inundated lands is somewhat extended, but the situation is practically unchanged. All the dykes and barriers still hold, and there has been no additional destruction of property. The city levee is narrower than yesterday, and business there is much hampered. A few more industrial establishments in the northern part of the city have shut down, and the submerged region, in the southern part of the city, is a little broader, and the damage is a little wider spread, but nothing has yet been swept away, and no lives have been lost. East Carondelet is entirely submerged to day, and about 200 persons have left the place. There are probably a dozen houses still occupied, but their inmates will have to leave very soon.

In East St. Louis the situation is about the same as previously reported. The railroad tracks are still above water, and freight and passenger traffic is not materially interfered with.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 3.—In the Senate the appropriation bills on third reading were taken up and passed as follows: The Elgin Insane hospital, for ordinary expenses and repairs, \$254,668; the Chester penitentiary, for new buildings and improvements, \$77,800; the Kankakee Insane hospital, \$372,800.

for ordinary expenses, new buildings and improvements; the Pontiac Reform school, \$75,810 for current expenses and some extras; the Anna Insane hospital, \$184,635 for ordinary and extraordinary expenses; the Jacksonville Insane hospital, \$210,000 for ordinary expenses and a few improvements; the Lincoln Asylum for the feeble-minded, \$124,775; the State Normal university at Normal, \$37,520 for its support during the next two years; the State Board of agriculture, \$6,000 for State fair premiums, \$100 for each county's premiums, and \$12,500 for the ordinary expenses.

A House bill appropriating \$5,000 to pay the investigating committee of both houses was passed.

A couple of appropriation bills on second reading were ordered to a third reading, being \$69,000 for the Illinois Industrial university ordinary expenses, and \$105,000 for the purchase of land by the Joliet Penitentiary commissioners for the use of the institution.

The bill to authorize the appointment of an agent to collect the old war claims of the State against the United States, was discussed and referred to the committee on finance. Isaiah Hitt is pushing it, and expects the appointment.

The bill ceding the canal to the United States was passed.

Mayfield's bill to curtail the powers of the railroad board was defeated badly.

Whiting's bill to tax express companies 2 per cent on their gross receipts, was made a special order for Thursday. Adjourned.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The agony is supposed to be over. The Republican caucus took another long and strong pull at it to day, and the result is an executive session, to be held to-morrow. This result was not attained without a struggle, but it is accomplished, and that will prevent the asking of impertinent questions. The caucus met in a two-hours' convulsion this morning, and closed without a satisfactory understanding. The discussion at the morning session is understood to have been confined mainly to the question as to what shall be considered contest cases, to be withdrawn from action for the present. Senator Conkling and friends insisted that a nomination objected to by a single senator of the state to which the nomination belongs should put it in the list of contested nominations, and therefore exclude it from consideration. On the other side it was maintained that an adverse report from a committee should only put a nomination on the contest list; that in fact nothing short of such action by a committee should exclude a nomination from consideration. Senators who represented the administration did not, it is said, contend for anything that would antagonize Mr. Conkling or anybody else, but only for a rule that would give all nominations a fair chance for action. The contest of Mr. Conkling for a rule that will enable one senator to lay aside a nomination by objecting to it, has revived the rumor that he is afraid Mr. Platt will not stick to him through his fight. Notwithstanding Mr. Conkling's position, his friends insist that he is determined to make the Robertson fight this session, as he has everything to gain and nothing to lose by forcing it now. The fact that Mr. Conkling came out of the caucus with his face wreathed with smiles, was looked upon by some as an indication of his satisfaction. There is an indistinct notion that when Mr. Conkling smiles somebody is either hurt or going to be. How he came out of the second caucus this afternoon is not stated. There was unquestionably an interesting time. The second session began at 3 and lasted till nearly 6 o'clock. Various rumors are afloat as to what took place at this three hours' conference. One of these is to the effect that the letter from the President addressed to Mr. Dawes yesterday was the subject of some warm controversy. That letter, however, was probably not read, as it is now understood not to have been addressed to Mr. Dawes for the caucus, but to him as chairman of the committee of safety, for their information and guidance on the controverted points.

## NATURE'S TRIUMPH.

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of treaty, as specific duties are believed by England to bear unfairly upon wool and cotton piece goods, which are the largest English exports.

In the house of commons to-day Justin McCarthy gave notice that he would move at an early day that the action of the Irish executive in arbitrarily arresting a member of parliament and proclaiming the city of Dublin as an abuse of the powers granted by the coercion act, and is calculated to arouse dissatisfaction and mar the results of remedial proposals.

Mandell, vice president of the council, said he regrets he cannot advise the relaxation of the privy council's orders in regard to sheep from the United States.

## The Springfield Disgrace

Gleason's Register.

Decent people everywhere will feel indignant over the fact that all the hotels in the capital of Illinois absolutely refused to open their doors for the accommodation of the twelve men and women comprising the original troupe of Jubilee Singers from the Fisk University of Tennessee. These colored people are very respectable ladies and gentlemen, and have been entertained by the queen of England, Premier Gladstone, and nearly all the crowned heads of the other European governments. They are more worthy of respect than are the tavern keepers of Springfield. About twenty-five cents from every Republican of this state will build and furnish a better hotel than the capital now has. We suggest that the money be raised, the hotel built and opened, and that the Republicans of the state give it their patronage. Something should be done to wipe this class and race disgrace from the home of Lincoln.

## Where Morgan Wrote

Of William Morgan, the man who mysteriously disappeared after writing a book exposing Masonry, E. D. Bradshaw, of Alton, Wayne county, N. Y., writes: "My father lived in the village of Orleans, Ontario county, N. Y., at the time of the abduction. My father was an anti-Mason. I was a small boy. I remember a strange man, whom my father brought to our house one evening. They seemed to be friends and acquaintances. He lived in our family more than six weeks, occupied a secluded small room, and was very seldom seen by any of our family, except by father and mother and we were strictly forbidden by our father to inform any one of the presence of the stranger. This man was William Morgan, and he wrote his book on Masonry in that little room in my father's house. I often saw him. He was kidnapped by process of law—under pretence of arrest—and taken to Canada jail."

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